

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY

August 2010 – Week 4

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TITLE: A NAMELESS TEXAN IS BORN

AUGUST 1908 AND A GREAT TEXAN IS BORN . . . WITHOUT A NAME.

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY, BROUGHT TO YOU BY THIS STATION AND THE SAVE TEXAS HISTORY PROGRAM OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

AUGUST 27th, 1908. IN THE HOT TEXAS HILL COUNTRY. DAYLIGHT BREAKS OVER SAM AND REBEKAH'S FARMHOUSE.

A STATE LEGISLATOR, SAM HAS RETURNED FROM AUSTIN FOR THE BIRTH OF THEIR FIRST CHILD. THE DOCTOR IS LATE SO A MIDWIFE DELIVERS THE BABY -- A BOY.

SAM BEAMS WITH PRIDE -- TELLING A FRIEND THE BOY WILL BE GOVERNOR SOME DAY. SAM'S FATHER SAYS NO, THE BOY'S GONNA BE A U.S. SENATOR.

BUT FOR THREE MONTHS, SAM AND REBEKAH CAN'T AGREE ON A NAME FOR THE FUTURE POLITICIAN.

IN NOVEMBER, THE BOY'S NAME --AND HIS INITIALS -- ARE FINALLY INTRODUCED TO THE WORLD.

PRESIDENT LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON -- LBJ -- WAS BORN 102 YEARS AGO, THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY.

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HANDBOOK OF TEXAS – JOHNSON, LYNDON BAINES

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